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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: MACROMOLECULAR NUCLEOTIDE COMPOUNDS AND METHODS FOR USING

THE SAME

AMENDMENT

Box Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 16, 2011. Accordingly, this response is due on or before September 16, 2011 with a petition for a three month extension of time and the appropriate fee.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this paper.

Appendix

- Statement certifying English translation of PCT/EP2004/012556 International filing date of November 4, 2004
- English translation of the present application specification originally filed on July 18, 2007
- Stamped Postcard dated July 18, 2008 confirming receipt of English translation of specification, claims and abstract and drawings.